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TITLE OF INVENTION: TERMINAL FOR ELECTRIC CONNECTOR FOR COMMUNICATION APPARATUS

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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1. This communication is responsive to <u>11/28/2003</u> .				
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1</u> .				
3. $\boxtimes$ The drawings filed on <u>28 November 2003</u> are accepted by	the Examiner.			
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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 1 is allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The Prior Art of Record does not teach or suggest a terminal comprising two ends (protruding and mounting) and two spring coil portions symmetrically bilaterally connected between these contact ends.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure: Joly (5611717), Villain (US 2004/0053538), Dyer (2612539), Mitra et al. (5478248), Swart et al. (5865641), Meller (5954529, 5967856), Heim (6244911), Snyder (6299457), Watanabe et al. (6464511), Reichardt (3335389), Takashi Watanabe (3555497), Arena (2747168), Fjelstad et al. (5812378), Simmel (6290524), Yoo (5941739), Kuan (6083059), Grabbe et al. (5573435), Reymond (5366380).

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Paula A Bradley can be reached on (571)-272-2800 ex. 33. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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LT May 14, 2004 ROSS GUSHI PRIMARY EXAMINER